

The
South African Library for the Blind
GRAHAMSTOWN

BRAILLE BOOKS
MOON TYPE BOOKS
MUSIC
TALKING BOOK RECORDS

28th ANNUAL REPORT

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The South African Library for the Blind.

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TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting of the South African Library for the Blind was held on Tuesday, May 27th at 4 o'clock in St. George's Hall. There were 79 people present.

Mr. Espin welcomed Mrs. Alty and those present. He congratulated Miss Wood on the honour conferred on her by Rhodes University. He then asked Miss Wood to read her report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The year 1951 was a year for nominating members of the Council. Mr. Espin (Chairman), Mr. Whiteley (treasurer), Mr. Kanne-meyer, Mrs. Knowling and Miss Spurling were re-nominated. Our new members are the Rev. Father Murphy, Dr. van der Riet, Prof. Irving and the Rev. C. W. Moore. The Rev. F. Edmonds and Miss Miller have left Grahamstown and Dr. Louw resigned for health reasons. Our President, Dr. the Hon. C. W. Lansdown, has returned to South Africa. The Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Brand van Zyl have agreed to be patrons.

We regret to report the death of three good friends, Mr. C. C. Currey, Mr. Samuel Thomson and Capt. B. G. Godlonton.

Mr. Currey was a member of the Council for 16 years and Mr. Thomson was a patron. It was Mr. Thomson who started the Provident Fund, which has proved such a boon to two members of the staff who, after many years of service, retired on account of ill-health. Mr. Thomson's Talking Book machine, which meant so

much to him, has been given to another reader. By his request, no flowers were sent in his memory but contributions were sent to the funds of St. John's Ophthalmic Hospital and amounted to £135.

We are very grateful to Messrs. A. R. Whiteley and Co. for auditing our books.

STAFF

I must record that Rhodes University has conferred the Honorary Degree of Master of Arts on me. This honour is greatly appreciated by Council, staff and readers.

Miss Levick has been with us for fifteen years. Apart from routine work, many odd jobs fall to her, but nothing is ever too much trouble. Much of this extra work is done at home. For instance, putting Braille and Moon wishes into about five hundred Christmas cards and fitting the cards into the right envelopes.

Miss Espin, Miss Spurling, Mrs. Fernandez and Mrs. Sherwood Watson have carried on. Mrs. Laurie joined us in April. While Miss Spurling was in England, Mrs. Barker helped us. From time to time we have had gaps filled by Mrs. Ingall, Mrs. Fortune, Mrs. Ford, Miss Harvey, Mrs. Winlaw, Miss Marion Watson and Miss Patricia Kelly. Mrs. Westall comes once a week to do music records and Miss Philip helps with addressing reports.

Helen Keller Under the Southern Cross by A. W. Blaxall has been published by Messrs. Juta

and Co. The book has a foreword by Alan Paton. Part I "Completion of a Mission" by A. W. Blaxall. Part II "An Unforgettable Tour" by Helen Keller. There are 22 full page illustrations. The book is on sale in the Library for 10s. 6d.

DR. HELEN KELLER

When Dr. Keller left South Africa the Library was able to lend her books for the voyage and to give her a Braille copy of "Wings of the Wild" by H. von Michaelis. Miss Keller graciously sent us a photograph of herself reading the book and on it she has written: "To Miss Josie Wood with affectionate greetings to the South African Library for the Blind with delighted thanks for the beautiful book 'Wings of the Wild.'" (signed) Helen Keller.

We have this framed in the Library. Mr. von Michaelis said: "No author could have had a finer compliment" and asked to be allowed to have the photograph copied.

VAN RIEBEECK FESTIVAL

By request, we sent exhibits, photographs, reports, etc., to the S.A. Library Association, Cape Branch, and also to the Blind Stall run by Miss Gillies. Among other things there was a demonstration of a Talking Book.

U.N.E.S.C.O.

The International Braille Conference held at Unesco House, Paris, aims at creating a single Braille system for all the world's languages. The system is based on that invented by Louis Braille, whose centenary we keep this year.

The S.A. National Council for the Blind, at Unesco's request,

formed a special committee on Bantu languages. The chairman of this committee is Mr. Cohen (one of our readers) and they have started on Zulu Braille. They have requested Unesco to send all minutes and reports to this Library to be kept for record purposes. We are most willing to house these records but when they come in any quantity, we shall more than ever need permission to occupy our last remaining flat, as we are sorely pressed for room.

The S.A. National Council for the Blind are holding their biennial meeting in Grahamstown in September this year.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

At the end of the year we owned 13,521 volumes; 388 volumes had been given away or discarded and a few lost. We have given books to Hillcombe, to Enzenzelini and to the Athlone School.

Athlone was pleased to get some American books in grade 1½ and also a spare copy of the Afrikaans Bible.

Among new books bought were: "No Highway" (in Braille and Moon); "The Reluctant Widow," "Operation Heartbreak," and some detective stories. We bought books of travel, biography, science, history, etc., and some Braille music. There were 7,933 volumes issued.

We had a new catalogue of Braille books printed at a cost of £67 for 500. We hope a Moon type catalogue will be available soon.

MAGAZINES

We take forty magazines and 7,425 were issued in the year. The two magazines produced in this country are "The Good Fellowship," which is hand brailled, and "Die Nuwe Pionier." The

latter is bilingual and is printed at Worcester twice a month. We pay £20 towards its production.

We were extremely sorry that Miss Watson was unable to continue "Braille Notes and News" after the first quarter. "Life and Health" is now sent us as a gift from America. Two new and popular Braille magazines have been added, "The Family Doctor" and "The New Beacon." The latter has been published in ink print for many years and "is devoted to the interests of the blind" and the Braille edition is giving untold pleasure to many readers.

LOAN BOOKS

We borrow both Braille and Moon type books from the National Library, London, paying £25 a year as a subscription.

Music Records continue to give much pleasure to those who have gramophones and especially to those who otherwise get no chance of hearing good music. More than one teacher has said how helpful the records are in teaching music.

Transcribers.—We are grateful to our voluntary transcribers who have added numbers of books that we are unable to buy.

Miss Canning: One volume of "Wings of the Wild" (H. von Michaelis); 4 volumes of "Frenchmans' Creek" (D. du Maurier); 6 volumes of "I Capture the Castle" (D. Smith); 2 volumes of "A Fool on the Veld" (L. Fleming); 6 volumes of "Jock of the Bushveld" (P. Fitzpatrick).

Miss Steinhobel: Four volumes of "Out of the Crucible" (H. Chilvers).

Mrs. Ratsey: Four volumes of "The Reluctant Widow" (G. Heyer).

Miss Wynne-Eyton: Two volumes of "Happiness of Father Happe (Hallock).

Mrs. F. B. Murray: One volume of "Mapa-pula" F. Blaxall).

Mrs. K. E. Acheson: One volume of "Wings of the Wild" (2nd copy).

Miss Marillier: One volume "Joy's Loom" (W. Stitch).

Miss A. Cunningham has copied worn books: Five volumes of "The Broken Road" (Mason) and four volumes of "Gate of the Desert" (Oxenham). Miss Cunningham has also brailled lectures for a blind masseur in East London by special request. These were bound by Miss Levick.

The following have copied hand-done Afrikaans Braille books lent by Worcester. (We are glad to pay for these as they add to our collection of Afrikaans books.)

Miss J. Brits: One volume of "Goudkoors" (R. Britz).

Miss M. Booysen: Two volumes of "Oorlogskind" (P. de Pienaar); 5 volumes of "Jasper le Feuvre" (K. Kielblock); 3 volumes of "Seekus van die Dood" (J. Marsh).

Miss B. Schutte: Six volumes of "Die Tweede Grieta" (J. de Waal).

Miss I van Dorsten: Four volumes of "Petaljes van Oom Bart" (D. Mostert); 3 volumes of "Die Wetenskaplike Moord" (R. v.d. Walt).

Binding Braille books has become a problem because the material obtainable is so poor that the corners of the books are broken the first time they are posted. We are now having to send some books to be bound to the National Institute for the Blind, London.

Book Titles.—We have had difficulty in finding some effective and lasting method of marking titles

on books, but we have now got an electric stylus which is satisfactory.

READERS

Ten readers have died during the year and 21 new readers joined. About 30 others started Braille or Moon but did not persevere. There are now 294 individual borrowers and we lend books to four schools and four institutions.

Miss M. T. Watson is kept busy teaching Braille to sighted transcribers and, as she is a most efficient teacher, her pupils' books are of a high standard. She also does proof reading and re-copying Braille books.

Mr. Christian Venter, an ex-pupil of Worcester, got his LL.B. at the University of the O.F.S. He has been appointed acting Public Prosecutor to the Magistrate's Court, Pretoria.

Miss Joan Erwee, a shorthand-typist trained at Worcester, has been appointed to the staff of the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, Pretoria.

Mr. Kenneth McIntyre has been acting Senior Lecturer in History at Natal University for the past twelve months and two of his students gained first class passes.

Mr. Jim Ellis, editor of the *St. Dunstan's Review* (S.A.) paid a visit to the Library.

"Hams."— Several readers are enthusiastic "hams" and occasionally a local "ham" brings us messages from them.

Mrs. Enid Hadlow has joined a "wirespondence" club. Using a wire recorder talks are recorded and a spool gives anything up to an hour's talk.

One reader wrote: "Do not send me another book by Lawrence Green. Lawrence Green and I

have nothing in common." Other readers do not share this opinion.

Miss Betty Schutte, writing for herself and her brother, says how grateful they are for the Library. She adds: "Our books are our closest friends, as we find them ready to entertain us whenever we are ready to be entertained."

Miss Ursula Pfeffer is busy taking Braille shorthand and senior typing, besides doing some coaching in English history and teaching Braille to a class of Coloured blind workers. She thanks us for "Greenmantle" and an Agatha Christie novel, which she said "were like a breath of fresh air after reading 'Clarissa' and 'Paradise Lost.'"

Miss Enid Whitaker has returned from England, where she visited 22 institutions working for blind welfare. She has written a most interesting account of their various activities. She was "struck by the amazing forethought and consideration given to every aspect. Whatever the age, mentality or temperament, the blind are taught to carry on a normal independent life."

TALKING BOOK

DEPARTMENT

One hundred and fifty-six readers are using the records with great pleasure. As someone wrote of one reader: "You have most certainly kept his mind interested, employed and happy over a number of years and we are most grateful." Another writes: "I wish to thank you so much for the wonderful joy the books are giving my dad." Another says: "May I once again thank your staff for the very regular despatch of books to me, so that I am never left without something to read."

We have now 963 books in 13,280 records. Among the new ones are: -- "White South" by Hammond Innes; "Virgin in Judgment," E. Philpotts; "2nd World War" by Churchill (Pts. 3 and 4); "Lady Rose and Mrs. Menmary" by Ferguson;; "Happy Odyssey" by Lt.-Gen. Sir Carton Wiart, V.C. During the year 56,455 records were circulated.

"The Reader's Digest" is our only Talking Book magazine. One copy (12 records) comes every month and after going out about 20 times the records are returned to America to be repulped.

We have had 500 catalogues printed costing £27.

We had 15 new machines from England and all of these have gone to readers. We have got a permit to import more machines, but unfortunately there is a waiting list overseas. We shall be glad if those who are not using their machines would let us have them back. The staff have a good deal of worry because there are a number of old machines in use. These have heavy "pick-ups" and steel needles, both of which damage the records. (They have long been condemned overseas.) Some readers try to fix the sapphire needles to the old heavy "pick-ups," but that does not really help matters. The life of a sapphire needle depends on the conditions of use. If they are used on new records there can be 400 playings (800 sides), but where the records have been previously used with steel needles the life of the sapphire may only last for 250 playings. We have sent a packet of sapphire needles to the National Institute, London, to be sharpened.

REQUESTS

Mrs. J. H. Paddon, who was always interested in our work and financed the production of the coloured labels for our collecting boxes, left us £100.

Capt. B. G. Godlonton has left us £10,000, which will come to us after the death of his wife. He was always a regular and generous subscriber.

GIFTS AND OTHER HELP

Mrs. Greenwood, with the blind women of the "After Care Home" at Worcester, got up a bazaar to raise money to add books to the Greenwood Memorial in the Library. For five months they devoted all their spare time to making dresses, knitted garments, etc. Blind readers in other places sent them parcels for the bazaar. By this splendid effort over £100 was sent to us. Local friends and firms in Worcester district gave generously. We are most grateful to them all.

Many readers have given us magazines and we are very glad of extra popular ones. Other readers have sent us books, pandas (Braille penguins). Braille music and music records. Mr. Atwood sent us 80 Braille volumes and Miss C. Cock sent us 37 volumes of the Bible (Braille).

We have had two notable articles written about the Library. One was "South Africa's Strangest Library" by Dr. Schweitzer in the "Public Servant," and the other "In Biblioteek vir die Blindes" by Dr. Rothman in "Die Huisgenoot."

The latter was put into Braille in the March number of "Die Nuwe Pionier." The writers of these articles each sent us £5 for

our funds. We are having some of Dr. Rothman's Afrikaans books put into Braille.

Dr. Moberly, one of our readers, sent us 50 copies of his book of Zulu stories "A Square Deal" to sell for our funds and Messrs. Clark Brown and Co. are kindly selling them for us. The Glencoe Undenominational Sunday School sent us £7 4s. 6d. made up of small gifts from the children "to buy Talking Book records." An unusual gift was an opal ring which brought the owner bad luck each time she wore it. The City Jewellers sold it for us to a Port Elizabeth firm for £16.

Most public libraries have collecting boxes for our funds. This year, the State Library, Pretoria, headed the list with over £15, King William's Town sent us over £13 and Aliwal North over £12. We are grateful to the librarians for their continued help and interest.

GRANTS

We have received grants from the Social Welfare Department, the four Provinces, the S. African National Council for the Blind, St. Dunstan's, three Divisional Councils, 18 municipalities, societies, churches and schools.

In Grahamstown I should like to thank the schools, the V.G.H.S., the D.S.G. and St. Andrew's. Miss L. Mullins made badges sold at the St. Andrew's sports by the prefects for £15. The V.G.H.S. (Macdonald House) raised the record sum of £25 at a concert.

We appreciate the practical help given by the Eastern Province Guardian Loan, the Standard Bank, the Press (especially Grocott's Daily Mail), and the officials of the local Post Office. Thousands of books, records, parcels, letters

and cards are posted locally. We should like to express our thanks for all the help that has come from public bodies and private donors who have supported us so regularly.

Mr. Espin then asked Mr. Whiteley to read the Financial Statement.

Mr. Whiteley, hon treasurer, said that as the financial statement was being circulated, he would only make a few comments. He pointed out that there was a deficit of £276 16s. 11d. This was partly due to the fact that the "Cost of Living" on salaries had increased and partly due to the fact that subscriptions and donations were down. He felt that while we cannot ask our friends to increase their subscriptions, we should aim at interesting new subscribers.

Mr. Espin then asked Mrs. Alty if she would address the meeting.

Dr. Alty said she welcomed this opportunity of paying tribute to the work of the Library and she considered that Rhodes University was to be congratulated on its "Youngest" graduate, Miss Josie Wood.

She felt that almost everyone was sympathetic with the blind and all those present had been impressed with the work of the Library, as shown in the annual report, but few knew about the details of the work. She had visited the Library soon after her arrival in Grahamstown, but she had paid another visit more recently. Then, she had heard part of "Lorna Doone" read on a talking book record by a blind man, who was reading from a Braille book. She was interested in the change of the voice from a man's to a woman's according to the speed at which the record was

played. She was pleased to see the great variety of books obtainable in the talking book records, both fiction and non-fiction and she felt that the talking book was a pleasing example of the beneficial result of man's inventive genius. She hazarded a guess that even the sapphire needles used on the machines were probably synthetic and therefore represented another invention.

She mentioned the fact that 1952 was the centenary of Louis Braille's birth and that a committee had been set up to evolve an international Braille system. She was much impressed by the number and variety of books available in Braille.

In pointing out the need for this, she referred to the report of the Royal Empire Society for the Blind, in which it was stated that

over one million people in the occupied African territories are blind. In West Africa there are 300,000, in Kenya 150,000 and in Nyasaland 25,000. In some territories the incidence of blindness is 80% of the total population.

Dr. Alty considered that the work of the Library was a triumph of service and co-operation, in which the post office and a shipping company played an important part in granting special concessions in postage rates and in carrying the talking books freight free. She congratulated Miss Wood and her staff on their work. In conclusion, she mentioned that Miss Wood had one thing in common with Hitler—the need for “lebensraum”. She hoped that this would soon be obtained and wished the Library everything of the best in the future.



SUBSCRIPTIONS, DONATIONS, GIFTS.

From 1st JANUARY to 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Adams, T. S.	2	2	0	Bligh, Dr. E.	2	2	0
Addleson, A. Esq.	10	6		Bond, Mrs. Beviss	5	0	0
Adendorff, Mr. J. C.	2	0	0	Bostock, Major	1	0	0
African & Europ. Invest. Co. Ltd.	10	10	0	Botha, Miss Antoinette	10	0	
African Expl. & Chem. Industries Ltd.	10	10	0	Bowen, Sessel & Goud- vis, Messrs.	3	3	0
Alliance Building Society	5	5	0	Bowker, Mr. & Mrs. T.	5	0	0
Anders, Mrs.	10	0		Bowker, J. M. P. Esq.	1	10	6
Anderson, J. D. Esq.	1	1	0	Brevis, Mr. P. G.	10	0	
Anglican Leper Fund, Pretoria	3	0	0	Brunsdon, Miss S. E.	2	0	0
Anglo American Corp. of S.A. Ltd.	10	10	0	Burnett, Mrs. Helen	2	2	0
Anglo-Transvaal Cons. Investment Co. Ltd.	10	10	0	Bye, Mrs.	1	1	0
Anon (Alice)	1	1	0	Caltex (Africa) Ltd.	5	5	0
Anon (E.)	11	6		Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. E. D.	2	2	0
Anon (per Mrs. Fernan- dez)	1	10	0	Canning, Miss	1	1	0
Anon (Grahamstown) .	5	0	0	Cape Argus	5	0	0
Anon (Wellwisher)	1	1	0	Cape Times, Ltd.	10	0	0
Anti-Waste Committee	5	5	0	Carrick, Mrs. F. A.	1	0	0
Apex Mines Ltd.	2	2	0	Carruthers, Mrs.	1	0	0
Arderne, Scott, Timbers Ltd.	2	2	0	Central News Agency	5	5	0
Armstrong, Mrs. Peter	1	0	0	Chatterton, Miss P.	1	1	0
Arnold, Miss V. (England)	10	0	0	Christie, Charles Esq.	3	3	6
Aucamp, Miss Connie	1	0	6	Clydesdale (Tvl.) Collieries, Ltd.	3	3	0
Ayliff, Miss Rose	5	0		Cockerton, Mrs.	3	3	6
Bacon, Mrs.	1	1	0	Coetzee, Miss Janette	7	6	
Bakewell, Mrs.	1	1	0	Coetzee, Miss Renzie	1	0	0
Bamford & Athol Frank	1	1	0	Connock's (S.A. Motors) Ltd.	5	0	0
Barborton, I Mitford Esq.	1	1	0	Cohen, Mr. Walter	5	0	
Barclays Bank (D.C.&O.)	10	10	0	Corlett (Pty.) Messrs. D. F. Ltd.	5	6	0
Barford, Miss Vera	2	2	0	Cory, Lady (in memory of Matron Gordon)	1	0	0
Barnes, Mr. & Mrs. H. R.	2	2	0	Creswick, Mrs.	2	0	0
Barrow, John (Pty.) Ltd.	1	1	0	Currey, Mr. & Mrs. R. F.	1	1	0
Bateman, Edward L. (Pty). Ltd.	5	0	0	Cuthbert & Co. Messrs. W. M. Ltd.	10	10	0
Baumann, Mr. H.	2	2	0	Davies & Co. Ltd. Hubert	2	2	0
Beatty, G. H. Esq.	5	5	0	De Beers Cons. Mines Ltd.	25	0	0
Behrmann, Mr. & Mrs. H.	2	2	0	De Kock, Mrs.	1	0	0
Bennett. Mrs.	1	1	0	Dewar, Chas. H. Esq.	1	1	0
Blackburn, Mrs.	2	0	0	Dick, Mrs. M.	1	0	0

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Dixon, Mr. & Mrs. W. G. (interest from W. Gordon Dixon Trust Fund)	4	0	0	Godlonton, M. G. Esq. (in memory of D'Urban Godlonton Lt. S.A.A.F. 12/9/44)	10	0	0
D'Orleans, Mrs. (Sale of ring))	16	0	0	Gordon, Peter, Esq.	10	0	
Dorman, Long (Africa) Ltd.	5	5	0	Graham, Mrs. Frank	1	0	0
Douglas, A. Esq.	1	1	0	Graham, Miss E.	10	0	
Douglas, Low & Co.	1	1	0	Graham, Mrs. M.	2	0	0
Dumbleton, Mrs. M.	10	0		Grahamstown Building Society	1	1	0
Duncan, Mrs.	12	9		Grant, Mrs. St. John	2	2	0
Dunn, Mr. F. T.	2	0	0	Gray, N. Steele Esq.	10	0	
Durban Board of Exe- cutors & Trust Co. Ltd.	25	0	0	Gray, Mrs. Emily	1	0	0
Eastern Province Guard- ian Co.	15	0	0	Greaterman's Stores, Ltd.	3	3	0
Elder, Rev. J. E.	1	1	0	Green, Mrs. G.	2	2	0
Eccles, Mrs. Viva M.	1	1	6	Greenwood, Mrs. & helpers (proceeds of bazaar) (in memory of the late Mr. H. Green- wood	108	1	0
Elephant Trading (S.A.) Holdings Ltd.	2	2	0	Grosse, Mr. & Miss	10	0	
Eloff, Mrs. Corie	1	6		Guard, Miss C.	1	1	0
Espin, C. E. Esq.	1	0	0	Gush, Mrs.	10	6	
Etheridge, The Right Rev. Bishop	1	1	0	Hall, the Misses A. & G.	2	0	6
Evans & Co. Ltd., Messrs. Herbert	2	2	0	Halsey, B. Esq.	10	10	0
Farrer, E. Esq.	10	1	0	Hay, Errol, Esq.	3	3	0
Farwell, Miss E. D. M.	1	0	0	Hayton, Mrs.	1	0	0
Federated Employers' Mutual Assurance Co. Ltd.	3	3	0	Hemsley, Mrs.	5	0	0
Fitzgerald, Mrs.	1	10	0	Henwoods, Ltd.	5	5	0
Flanagan, P. L. Esq.	2	2	0	Hepburn & Jeans, Messrs.	4	4	0
Ford, Miss M. S.	7	10	0	Herbst, Miss Bertha	10	0	
Foster, Mrs. K.	10	0		Herrman, Dr. Louis	1	1	0
Fowler, Miss R. (Eng- land)	1	0	0	Hewitt, Dr. J.	1	1	0
Friel, B. N. Esq.	1	1	6	Hill, Mrs. F.	10	0	
Gant, Mr. & Mrs.	1	1	0	Hiscock, F. A. Esq.	1	1	0
Garlick Ltd.	1	1	0	Hoole, Mrs. (England)	2	0	0
Garnett, Mrs.	1	0	0	Hoole, Mrs. T.	1	0	0
General Mining & Finance Corp. Ltd.	10	10	0	Howell, Mrs.	2	2	0
Godlonton, Capt. B. G.	5	0	0	Hunt, Leuchars & Hepburn Ltd.	2	2	0
Godlonton, Miss E.	5	0	0	Hullah, Mr. & Mrs. J. (England)	2	2	0
				Immerman, Mr. A.	10	0	
				Jackson, Mrs. Gertrude ..	2	0	6
				Jackson, Mrs.	1	0	0
				Jagger & Co., Messrs. J. W.	1	1	0
				Jennett, the Hon. Mr. Jus- tice	2	2	0

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Johannesburg Cons. Invest.				O'Brien, Mrs.	1	13	0
Co. Ltd. (Barnato				Ohlsson's Cape Breweries	2	2	0
Group of Mines) ...	10	10	0	O.K. (1939) Bazaars, Ltd.	5	5	0
Johnstone & Co., Ltd.				Orpen, Mrs. (in memory			
W. F.	5	5	0	of Daisy Carlisle) ...	5	5	0
Jordan, Miss	1	0	0	Orpen, Mrs.	2	12	0
Kahn, Mr. S.	11	6		Orr, John & Co.	5	5	0
Keir, James Esq.	2	2	0	Ossher, Mr. & Mrs. A. M.	1	1	0
Kidd, Mrs. Driver	1	0	0	Palframann, Mrs.	1	0	0
Kidger, C. E. Esq.	2	2	0	Palmer, Brig.-Gen. C. G.	3	3	0
Lang, Miss D.	10	6		Palmer, Mrs. M. B.	10	0	
Lang, Miss D. (in memory				Parker, Mr. Verdun	1	0	0
of Daisy Carlisle) ...	10	0		Piderit, Capt. & Mrs.	3	10	0
Lansdown, Dr. the Hon.				Potgieter, Mrs. S. G.	2	10	0
C. W. H.	3	3	0	Putterill, Mrs.	1	1	3
Laurie, Mrs.	10	0		Rand Daily Mail, Ltd.	10	0	0
Lefebvre, Mrs.	1	0	0	Randles Bro. & Hudson,			
Lennon Ltd., Messrs.	2	2	0	Ltd.	5	5	0
Levin, Miss F.	1	1	0	Rand Mines, Ltd.	10	10	0
Levisaur, Mrs.	1	1	6	Rand Provident Building			
Lilford, A. Esq.	1	1	0	Society	2	2	0
Love, J. McG. Esq.	10	0	0	Reeler, Mrs.	1	1	0
Love more, Mrs.	10	0		Robb, Mr. D.	4	0	
MacHutcheon, Mrs.	2	0	0	Rooiberg Minerals De-			
Mackenzie, George Esq.	2	2	0	velopment Co., Ltd.	2	2	0
Mardall, Mrs.	1	1	0	Rousseau, Professor (in			
Marillier, Miss E. F.	1	0	0	memory of M. K.			
Marks, Mr. Albert E.	1	1	0	Rousseau)	10	0	
Matthew, H. M. Esq.	1	0	0	Schaefer, Mr. H. F.	5	0	
Matthews, Mrs. J. E.				Scheuble, Mrs.	5	5	0
(Kenya)	1	0	0	Schrire, Dr. I.	5	0	0
McKinnon, Mrs.	10	0		Schrire, Mrs. R.	10	10	0
Melle, Mrs. J. G.	3	3	0	Schweitzer, Dr.	5	10	0
Meyer, Mrs.	2	6		Seeligsohn, Dr. G.	3	0	0
Moore, Miss	1	0	0	Shell Co. of South Africa	5	5	0
Mosenthals, Ltd.	3	3	0	Short, Mr.	1	0	0
Mullins, Miss L. (sale of				Sleading & Tidmarsh, the			
St. Andrew's				Misses	1	0	0
rosettes)	15	0	0	Smith, A. N. Esq.	2	2	0
Munro, Mrs. A. W.	2	0	0	Smith, Mr. F. S.	1	0	0
Murray, Mrs. C. Z.	2	2	0	Smith, L. G. Bagshawe,			
Murray, Mrs. F. B.	4	11	0	in memory of Mrs.			
Myburg, Mrs. I.	2	0	0	Greathead)	10	6	
Neely, Mrs. T. R.	5	0		Smith, Miss Town	2	10	0
Nel, Mr. J. D.	5	0	0	South African Druggists	10	10	0
New Cons. Goldfields, Ltd.	10	0	0	S.A. Gen. Electric Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
Nicholas, D. L. Esq.	1	0	0	Spiers, Mrs.	1	1	0
Nicholson, Mrs. H. (in				Spreckley, Mrs.	3	3	0
memory of Mrs.				Sprigg, Miss J.	10	0	
Greathead)	10	0					

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Standard Bank of S.A. Ltd.	10	10	0	Whiteley, P. Esq.	5	5	0
Stander, Miss Bertha		10	0	Wiles, C. C. Esq. (years)	1	0	0
Stanley Motors, Ltd.	1	1	0	Williams, Mr. D.	1	0	0
"Star"	10	10	0	Willmott, Miss F. M.		10	0
Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd.	25	0	0	Wilson, Rev. R.	5	0	0
Stidolph, Miss	2	0	0	Wood, Miss B. C.	1	1	0
Strachan, Mrs.	1	1	6	Wood, Miss Maud		10	0
Stubbs, Miss Ivy		10	0	Worthington, Miss V. E.	2	0	0
Stuttaford & Co., Ltd.	1	1	0	Wright, Mrs. Milburn	2	0	0
Syfret's Trust Co., Ltd.	5	5	0	Wynne-Eyton, Miss M.	1	10	0
Symes, Miss Page	1	0	0				
Tarry, Messrs. E. W. & Co.	5	5	0	<i>Schools</i>			
Taylor, Mrs. A. A.		5	0	Burt Hse., High School for Girls, Queenstown	1	0	0
Thatcher, Miss A.	1	0	0	D.S.G., Grahamstown	5	0	0
Thomas, Mrs. Oakley	2	2	6	Johannesburg High School for Girls, Barnato Prk.	5	5	0
Thompson, James Ltd.	2	2	0	V.G.H.S. Macdonald Hse. (proceeds of concert)	25	0	0
Thomson, Samuel Esq.	10	0	0	Sunday School, Glencoe, Natal	7	4	6
Thrupp & Co., Messrs.	3	3	0				
Trustees, Charles James (Lilieshall) Trust	21	0	0	<i>Societies</i>			
Unger, Estate of the late F. A. Unger Esq.	5	5	0	Central Albany Farmers' Association	2	0	0
Union-Castle Mail S.S. Co. Ltd.	2	2	0	East London Branch N.H.R.U.	1	1	0
Union Corporation, Ltd.	20	0	0	Grahamstown & Eastern Districts Bowling As- sociation (Tribe Pairs)	11	0	0
United Building Society	20	0	0	Grahamstown Cathedral Lay Council	4	15	0
Vacuum Oil Co. of S.A. Ltd.	5	5	0	Gwatyn-Bolotwa Workers	16	0	0
Van Niekerk, Mr. C. W.		10	0	Johannesburg Civilian Blind Society	5	5	0
Van Velden, Mr. A. C.	1	1	0	St. Dunstan's, S.A.	100	0	0
Van Wyk, Mrs. J. M.	1	0	0	S.A. Home Reading Union, Arcadia Circle	5	0	0
Varder, Mrs.		10	0	Staff, Main Store, Rand- fontein	5	18	0
Varley, Miss L.	5	0	0	Trinity Presbyterian Church Women's Assoc. (Senior)	1	1	0
Venter, Mr. E.	1	0	0	<i>Public Libraries & Other Collecting</i>			
Vernal, F. Esq.	1	1	0				
Verster, Miss I.		3	0	<i>Boxes</i>			
Viljoen, Mr. J. D. P.		4	3	Adelaide	5	4	6
Vincent, Mrs.	2	2	0	Aliwal North	12	10	6
Viney, A. D. Esq. (2 years)	4	4	0	Bannerman House	6	3	5
Vyvyan, Mrs.	2	2	0				
Waldorf, Ltd.	1	1	0				
Wallis, Mrs. J. G.	5	0	0				
Warren, Mrs.	5	5	0				
White, B. E. B. Esq.	1	1	0				
White, Mrs. Harold (Kenya)	1	0	0				
White, Mrs. J. (England)	10	0	0				

£ s d			<i>Provincial Councils, Grants-in-Aid</i>		
Bedford	15	0		£	s d
Benoni	8	17 4	Cape Province	300	0 0
Bloemfontein	5	5 6	Natal (see Social Welfare Dept.)		
Boksburg	6	0 0	Orange Free State	35	0 0
East London	1	15 0	Transvaal	150	0 0
Ernelo	9	17 6			
Grahamstown	2	16 1		£485	0 0
Hermanus	1	0 0			
Kimberley	3	4 0			
King William's Town	13	1 3	<i>Social Welfare Dept.</i>		
Kokstad	1	1 0	Social Welfare Dept. (includes £50 for Natal Province)	250	0 0
Ladysmith (Natal)	1	14 6	<i>Grants for Talking Book Equipment</i>		
Malmesbury	15	0	S.A. National Council for the Blind	50	0 0
Middelburg (Cape)	3	8 3			
Oudtshoorn	1	15 0			
Pietermaritzburg	1	5 0			
Port Alfred	1	7 0			
Pretoria	15	5 0	<i>Municipalities</i>		
Port Elizabeth	2	10 0	Beaufort West	2	2 0
Queenstown	17	0	Benoni	10	0 0
Rondebosch	3	5 0	Cradock	5	5 0
Simonstown	1	12 0	Fish Hoek	10	10 0
Umtata	10	0	Germiston	10	0 0
Wellington	2	4 3	Graaff-Reinet	10	0 0
Witbank Club	3	10 0	Grahamstown	10	0 0
Wynberg	3	13 6	Johannesburg	25	0 0
	£1,321	13 2	Paarl	5	5 0
			Parow	10	0 0
			Queenstown	2	2 0
			Rodepoort	5	0 0
			Simonstown	2	0 0
			Somerset West	3	3 0
<i>Divisional Councils</i>			Uitenhage	10	0 0
Albany	10	0 0	Vereeniging	10	0 0
East London	10	0 0	Wellington	5	0 0
Port Elizabeth	15	0 0			
	£35	0 0		£135	7 0

Provident Fund for the S.A. Library for the Blind

	£	s	d
Strachan, Mrs.	3	0	0

Bequests

1924 Bannerman Bequest	1500	0	0
1930 Carnegie Corporation Grant	1200	0	0
1933 Helen Robertson Bequest	10	0	0
Ellen Wisely Bequest	50	0	0
1936 Carnegie Corporation Grant	1000	0	0
1937 Bequest, R. H. Struben, Esq.	250	0	0
1938 Bequest, E. W. Howard, Esq.	250	0	0
Bequest, H. E. R. Sherry, Esq.	50	0	0
1939 Bequest, Dr. H. E. H. Oakley	250	0	0
Bequest, Robert Godlonton, Esq.	500	0	0
1941 Bequest, E. W. Howard, Esq.	50	0	0
1943 Ross Bequest	283	7	4
1944 Bequest, Miss J. McPherson	25	0	0
1945 Bequest, W. Herley, Esq.	10	0	0
1947 Bequest, H. J. King, Esq.	417	18	9
Bequest, Geo. Game Esq.	500	0	0
1949 C. F. King, Esq.	250	0	0
1950 C. G. H. Skead, Esq.	100	0	0
D. J. Smith, Esq.	100	0	0
Mrs. J. C. Vernal	100	0	0
1951 Mrs. J. H. Paddon	100	0	0

RULES

1. The books are lent free of charge.
2. The books go by post by special rate to any part of the Union (for Rates see back of cover). Books must not be sent by rail.
3. Readers are requested to send a list of books required, and to return each volume as soon as read.
4. A volume may be kept for one month unless needed for study, when, with the permission of the Librarian, it may be kept for a longer period.
5. Readers are asked not to keep magazines or knitting patterns, but to return each one with the book with which it is sent.
6. Readers are begged to take great care of the books, to keep them clean and free from damp, and not to turn down pages.
7. Canvas covers, cardboard covers or strong paper and string are used for packing the books. Readers should pack the books carefully in these for return postage.
8. Readers are begged to let the Librarian know at once of any change of address.
9. Any infectious or contagious illness shall **at once** be notified to the Librarian.
10. Anyone wanting to borrow books should send a letter of reference from a J.P., a clergyman or other well-known person acquainted with them.
11. All letters referring to books, Braille paper, etc., should be addressed to:

THE SECRETARY,

South African Library for the Blind.

Grahamstown.

POSTAL REGULATIONS

LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND

Papers of any kind, periodicals, and books, impressed or to be impressed in "Braille", or other special type for the use of the blind, when posted within the Union for transmission to a place within the Union, are transmissible at the rate given below, provided that they—

- (a) do not contain any communication, either in writing or printed in ordinary type, except the title and table of contents of the book or periodical and any key to or instructions for the use of the special type, or any enclosure except a label for the return of the packet;
- (b) bear on the outside the inscription "Literature for the Blind", and the name and address of the sender;
- (c) be posted either without a cover or in a cover open at both ends which can easily be removed for examination of the contents;

For a packet not exceeding 3½ lb in weight.	1d.
For a packet exceeding 3½ lb and not exceeding 7½ lb	1d.
For a packet exceeding 7½ lb and not exceeding 11½ lb	1½d.
For a packet exceeding 11½ lb and not exceeding 15½ lb 6oz.	2d.

The limit of weight is 15½ lb 6oz., and the maximum dimensions are the same as for letters.

Voice records on discs, styled "Talking Book records", securely packed, are also transmissible at the above rates, provided they are despatched from or addressed to certain recognised institutes for the blind (Page 33, Post Office Guide, September, 1947).

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND, GRAHAMSTOWN.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
DEVELOPMENT FUND		£1,000 0 6	FIXED PROPERTY:		
STAFF PROVIDENT FUND			As at 31st December, 1950	£2,772 0 0	
As at 31st December, 1950	£2,531 14 11		Less: Depreciation at 1% p.a.	27 0 0	£2,745 0 0
Library's Contribution	50 0 0		BOOKS AND CASES:		
Sundries	11 0 3		As at 31st December, 1950	927 0 0	
			Less: Depreciation at 25% p.a.	231 14 6	
	2,592 15 2			695 5 6	
Less: Withdrawals	180 8 9	2,412 6 5	Additions	162 14 6	858 0 0
STAFFSAVING FUND		702 15 9	FURNITURE AND FITTINGS:		
REPAIRS RESERVE FUND		100 0 0	As at 31st December, 1950	450 0 0	
CAPITAL ACCOUNT:			Less: Depreciation at 7½% p.a.	33 12 9	
As at 31st December, 1950	10,851 3 0			416 7 3	
Add: Gift Books	42 0 0		Additions	68 2 9	484 10 0
Special Donations	150 0 0		TALKING BOOK RECORDS AND EQUIPMENT:		
	11,043 3 0		As at 31st December, 1950	1,172 0 0	
Less: Excess of Expenditure over Revenue for year to date	276 16 11	10,766 6 1	Less: Depreciation at 33¼% p.a.	388 5 7	
				783 14 5	
			Additions	406 5 7	1,190 0 0
			DEVELOPMENT FUND INVESTMENT:		
			South African Permanent Mutual Building & Investment Society:		
			Fixed Deposit		1,000 0 0
			STAFF PROVIDENT FUND INVESTMENT AND CASH:		
			Eastern Province Building Society:		
			Fixed Deposit	600 0 0	
			Union Loan Certificates	1,575 0 0	
			Post Office Savings Account	259 3 9	
				2,434 3 9	
			Less: Bank Overdraft	21 17 4	2,412 6 5
			STAFF SAVINGS FUND INVESTMENT:		
			Eastern Province Building Society Savings Account		702 15 9
			GENERAL INVESTMENTS AND CASH:		
			Paid up Shares:		
			United Bld. Socy.	£1,600 0 0	
			E.P. Bld. Society	300 0 0	
			S.A. Perm. Mutual Bld. & Invest. Society	500 0 0	2,400 0 0
			Deposits:		
			E.P. Guardian Loan and Invest. Coy	350 0 0	
			E.P. Bld. Society	214 0 0	
			Grahamstown Building Society	800 0 0	1,364 0 0
			Cash at Call:		
			E.P. Bld. Society	1,069 18 7	
			E.P. Guardian Loan and Invest. Coy.	586 1 6	
			Cash at Bank	165 7 2	
			Cash on Hand	3 8 10	1,824 16 1
					5,588 16 1
					£14,981 8 3
		£14,981 8 3			

NOTE: The following Assets and Liabilities as at the 31st December, 1951, have been omitted above:

NOTE: The following Assets and Liabilities as at the 31st December, 1951, have been omitted above:

- Assets:** (a) Proportion of grant from Natal Provincial Council for the year ended on the 31st December, 1951, not yet received—£37 10 0.
 (b) Fire Insurance paid in advance—£3 15 6.
 (c) Talking Book Records and Equipment purchased but not yet paid for—£43 13 9.
 (d) Paper and Stationery on hand—£52 0 0.
- Liabilities:** (a) Amounts owing to the National Institute for the Blind, in respect of Talking Book Records and Equipment purchased but not yet paid for—£43 13 9.
 (h) Provision for Audit and Accountancy charges.

These omissions have been made as a result of the circumstances explained in the Note appearing at the foot of the accompanying Revenue and Expenditure Account.

We certify that we have examined the Books and Accounts of The South African Library for the Blind in respect of the year ended the 31st December, 1951, and have satisfied ourselves as to the existence of the securities; proper books and accounts have been kept, and we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required; in our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Library's affairs according to the best of our knowledge and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Library as at the 31st December, 1951.

A. R. WHITELEY & CO.,

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS: AUDITORS.

GRAHAMSTOWN, THIS 29th DAY OF MARCH, 1952.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

EXPENDITURE		REVENUE	
To Salaries and Wages	£1,321 13 9	By Donations, Subscriptions and Collections	£1,221 13 2
Rates	39 5 9	Department of Social Welfare	200 0 0
Fire Insurance (see Note below)	15 18 8	GRANTS:	
Light, Heat and Water	19 1 4	Provincial Councils:	
Repairs and Maintenance	77 10 11	Natal (see Note below)	12 10 0
Advertising, Paper, Printing and Stationery (see Note below)	258 5 7	Cape	300 0 0
Postages and Stamps	102 14 3	Orange Free State	35 0 0
Sunday Expenses per Schedule attached	88 15 2	Transvaal	150 0 0
Staff Provident Fund Contributions	50 0 0		497 10 0
Donations to Institutions	25 5 0	Divisional Councils:	
Contributions to Braille Magazine	16 7 11	Port Elizabeth	15 0 0
Depreciation:		Albany	10 0 0
Fixed Property at 1½ p.a.	27 0 0	East London	10 0 0
Books and Cases at 25½ p.a.	231 14 6		35 0 0
Furniture & Fittings 7½ p.a.	33 12 9	Municipalities:	135 7 0
Talking Book Records and Equipment at 33½ p.a.	388 5 7	Interest and Dividends	245 4 1
	680 12 10	Rents Receivable	84 0 0
		Balance being Excess of Expenditure over Revenue transferred to Capital Account	276 16 11
	£2,695 11 2		£2,695 11 2

NOTE: The following items of Revenue and Expenditure relative to the year ended on the 31st December, 1951, have been omitted above:

Revenue: Proportion of Grant from Natal Provincial Council not yet received at the 31st December, 1951—£37 10 0.

Expenditure: Provision for Audit and Accountancy Charges.

These omissions have been made with a view to placing the Library's Accounts on a Cash basis during 1952. For the same reason no allowance has been made above for Fire Insurance paid in advance to the extent of £3 15 6 at the 31st December, 1951, or for Paper and Stationery on hand at that date valued at £52 0 0.

